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SUBJECT: Guinea: 2006 Country Reports on Terrorism

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11. Guinea was not included in the 2005 Country Reports on Terrorism. Therefore, this cable will not be a detailed assessment, but provides information on major developments likely to have an impact on the ability of terrorists to operate in Guinea (Ref A). There have been few changes since post's submission for the 2005 Report (Ref B).

General Assessment

12. Guinea is not a state sponsor of terrorism. The government has made efforts to combat terrorism. To date, the judicial system has had limited involvement in counterterrorism - no cases involving acts of terrorism have ever been introduced. The law prohibits acts of terrorism and the penal code covers these acts. There are no developments that have a significant impact on U.S. counterterrorism efforts.

13. There is no significant support for international terrorism and no specific terrorist umbrella groups in Guinea. As reported last year, Guinea maintains relations with countries listed as state sponsors of terrorism and hosts diplomatic missions from North Korea, Cuba, Libya and Iran.

Safe Haven Assessments

14. Guinea is not a safe haven for terrorists. There is no known Government of Guinea support for terrorism or terrorist groups. The Government of Guinea maintains a focus on border control issues due to concerns with potential spill-over or incursions connected with instability in neighboring countries. It also observes the activities of radical Islamic faiths in Guinea based on concern over potential anti-Government activities.

15. Guinea does not provide weapons of mass destruction and recently established its National Authority as required under the Chemical Weapons Convention. It has established a task force to address chemical and biological weapons, to prevent their proliferation and trafficking in Guinea.

Information on Terrorist Groups

16. Guinea has not identified any terrorist groups or organizations within its borders. There are financial and sympathetic supporters of well-known organizations in Guinea. Post regularly demarches the Government on terrorism financing, but there have been no indications of any named organizations in Guinea's banking system, nor indications of the Government of Guinea's support for such organizations. In November, post hosted a meeting with

representatives from the Ministries of Justice, Security, Foreign Affairs, and Defense to discuss Guinea's measures to address terrorism and other international security threats.

Information on Foreign Government Cooperation

¶7. The Government of Guinea has firmly supported USG efforts to counter terrorism, has signed 11 of 12 UN conventions on terrorism, and has made attempts to improve its own counterterrorism capacities. However, its CT and law enforcement capacities are limited by lack of training and resources and by the existing climate of corruption.

Embassy Point of Contact

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